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Historic memorial dedication recognizes contributions of Henderson family in the Pass.

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HMC awards employees

Hancock Medical Center's Employee Awards Banquet at The Bridges at Casino Magic.

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Relay For Life Captains meet

The Hancock County leg of the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life Team Captain's Get-Together is set for today, Thursday, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Holiday Inn of Waveland. For information, call Kerry Clark at 896-8936.

Waveland Little League sign-ups

Final registration for the Waveland Little League will be this Saturday, March 24, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Elmwood Bourgeois (Waveland Little League) Ballfield on Central Ave. Try-outs begin at 9 a.m. for all age groups. For more information, call 466-2634.

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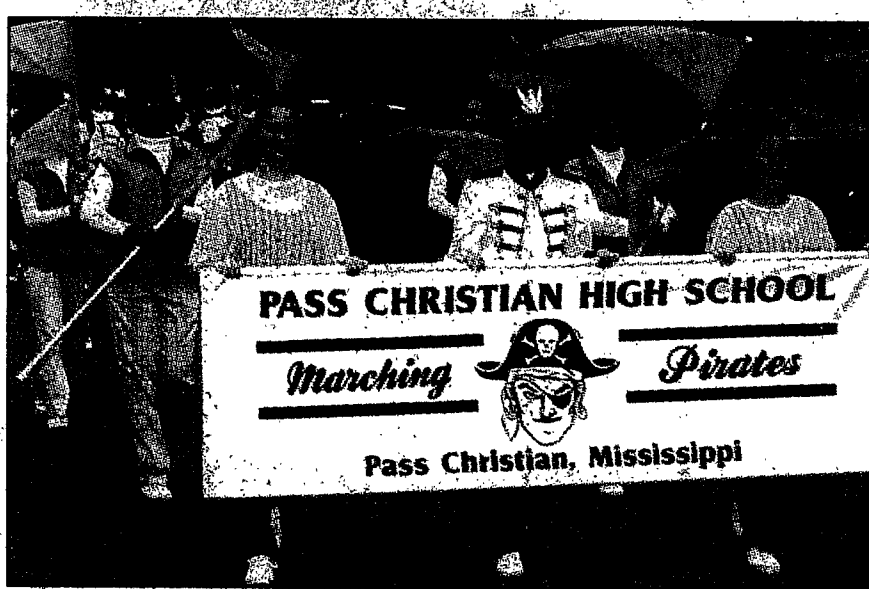
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Project down the drain in the Bay

Seal says problem minor on Citizen, Ballentine streets

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer

Bay St. Louis City Council members shelved a \$443,000 drainage project Tuesday, agreeing it's probably unnecessary.

And in an unrelated matter, council voted to boost the salary for council positions and the mayor's job.

There was much discussion of the drainage matter, and almost none on the pay raise matter.

Ward 1 council member Doug Seal paved the way for retreating from plans to upgrade drainage in the 400 and 500 blocks of Citizen and Ballentine streets. He said only

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Developer promises clean-up

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

A Pass Christian developer was called on the carpet Tuesday night following complaints of blocked streets and scattered debris in a development on Morton Avenue.

Ward 2 Alderwoman Margaret Jean Kalif called developer Jordan Whiteman to the Pass Christian Board of

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\$9.6M wastewater district expansion almost a reality

State guarantees money within the next 90 days

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Planners say that paper work is the only thing standing in the way of Phase 1, \$9.6 million expansion of the Southern Regional Wastewater Management District Treatment Facility in Waveland. "Before awarding the contract officially, we just need to make sure that our interim financing is in place," said consultant Gary Beard on Wednesday.

At Tuesday's meeting, engineer Duke Levy recommended that the board accept a proposal for the contract made by Max Foote Construction Company, Inc. of Mandeville, La., which came in as low bidders at the bid openings last Friday.

The State Revolving Fund has guaranteed a \$9 million to \$11 million loan to Southern Regional for the project, but it could take up to 90 days for the funds to be in hand. The district has been awarded \$1 million from the Mississippi Bond Funds, Beard said, from last year's funds, and has applied for up to \$7.5 mil-

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Erick Villalta bravely gives blood while being assisted by JROTC volunteers Sherry Cuave and Jaclyn Marchetta, overseen by RSVP volunteer Alfred Pepperman. "We've had a great turn out, about 25 students so far," said Oscar Bragg of the American Red Cross about 4 p.m. on Tuesday.

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Pass Christian Mayor Billy McDonald, left, Harrison County Supervisor Marlin Ladner and author/historian Dan Ellis unveil a new historic memorial at Henderson Point Wednesday. The memorial honors John Henderson and his family, who at one time owned almost the entire peninsula of Pass Christian.

Supervisors split 3-2 on Diamondhead appointment

BY ED LEPOMA
 Staff Writer

On a 3-2 vote, the Hancock County Board of Supervisors has filled a position on the Diamondhead Water and Sewer District that had been vacant since last November.

A delegation of three District Commissioners came before supervisors to ask the board to approve their nominee, retired engineer Ray Murphy. They told supervisors Murphy was highly qualified and recommended by the Diamondhead Property Owners Association, as well.

The appointment was held up previously after District 5 Supervisor Jay Cuevas, who represents a small portion of Diamondhead, asked commissioners to look over the qualifications of his nominee, Jerry Curtin, a businessman who operates an automotive and fast lube operation in Diamondhead.

District President Don Young said they interviewed Curtin at Cuevas's request, but they felt at this juncture when the county is considering consolidating sewerage collection systems, Murphy was the best qualified candidate for the position.

"This is a critical appointment, not just for Diamondhead, but for the county as well," said Young. "We need him to be on this team."

District 3 Supervisor Lisa Cowand, whose constituency in Diamondhead is larger than Cuevas's, moved to accept the nomination and appoint Murphy to the vacancy, but District 1 Supervisor Jeep Ladner asked her to hold up a vote until later in the meeting.

Meanwhile, the Diamondhead delegation sat cooling its heels throughout most of the meeting, listening to various department heads discussing a myriad of issues with supervisors. Then, Cowand made the motion again to appoint Murphy, and Board President Rocky Pullman made the second.

"Historically, we've always taken the recommendations of the District and the POA," she said.

The vote to approve Murphy split 3-2.

Pullman said he was not siding with Lisa or Jay, by his vote to approve Murphy, but he

hoped the next appointment would be made by Cuevas.

Later on in the meeting when supervisors got their turn to

push their own agenda for their individual districts, Cuevas managed to get a motion carried on a voice vote regarding a

future appointment on the Diamondhead Water and Sewer District, although there was no roll-call vote.

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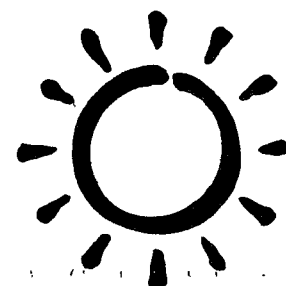
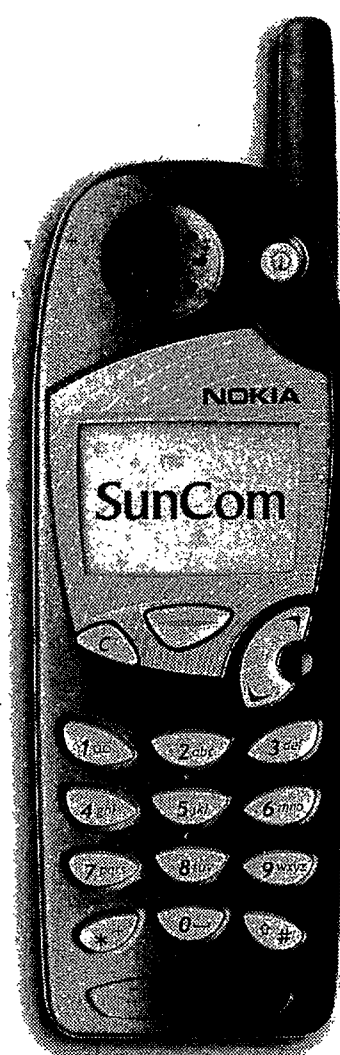
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Goodwill opens new opportunities, finding jobs for people with barriers

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

The year 2000 arrived with a millennium class event for Good Industries of South Mississippi with the formation of a new corporation - Mississippi Goodworks, Inc., which was announced Wednesday at the annual meeting of held Wednesday at the Great Southern Club, Gulfport.

Executive director LeRoy Modenback in making his report said, "The need for the new corporation was developed over the past several years. Until then, Goodwill's work on the Mississippi Gulf Coast was providing jobs and job training exclusively to people with disabilities."

He continued, "This began to change with the economic expansion on the Coast and the accompanying need to assist people with barriers to employment other than a disability to fill the new jobs created. These efforts reached dramatic proportions when Goodwill partnered with the Grand Casino Corporation to provide room attendants for the opening of the Oasis Resort Hotel in Gulfport."

Officers installed on Wednesday were: Wilbur Dees, president; Diane Harvard, 1st vice-president; Max Peck, 2nd vice-president; Joyce Johnson, secretary; and John List, treasurer; Cathy Mason, past president, along with John Galloway, legal council, and the above also serves as the Executive Committee.

The board of directors from the three coastal counties for the Class of 2002 include: Amanda Breckenridge, Jim Fulton, Diane Havard, Toni Larroux, Cheryl Lowell, H.E. (Gene) Miller, Father Peter Quinn, and Kevin Suber.

The Class of 2003 are: Joanne Ellis, Dr. Paulette Galbraith, Basil Kennedy, Perian Harrington, Billy Hewes III, John List, Edward D. (Eddie) Murtagh Jr., and Bob Usey.

The Class of 2004 are: Phil Caranna, Carmen Engram, Ruth Gaddy, Ray Gutzeit, Anthony Montgomery, Gayle Parker, Bill Peden, and Carrie Walker. Directors Emeritus are: Jay Golden, Bill Smallwood, and Judge Harry Walker.

The officers and directors were elected to serve both Goodwill Industries of South Mississippi, Inc. and also Mississippi Goodworks, Inc.

Modenback said that Goodwill's work on the Mississippi Gulf Coast was providing jobs and job training almost exclusively to people with disabilities. During the year of 2000, Goodwill services, now under the banner of Goodworks, continued to be delivered to people with disabilities through the NISH program.

gram. Jobs were provided to 156 individuals, providing salaries of \$2,119,017.

He also said that all Goodwill/Goodworks contracts were renewed successfully. A new larger CB Commissary opened on April 14 and brought with it expanded opportunities for employment at Goodwill.

Goodwill also remained committed to its Used Goods Program - the method of delivering service to people through collection, repair, and sale of donated items. The opening of a new retail store in the expanding and vibrant community of D'Iberville illustrated this commitment. Other stores operated by Goodwill also include one in Bay St. Louis located at Dunbar Avenue and Highway 90.

Goodwill Industries of South Mississippi is an Agency of the United Way of South Mississippi and is also accredited by the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities.

Guest speaker was George Schloegel, president and CEO of Hancock Bank. Schloegel said, "I salute what Goodwill is doing in South Mississippi. You are really making a difference for many people with disabilities. What you do does make a difference."

Goodwill has several NISH contracts also at Keesler Air Force Base, such as stocking the Commissary and mail delivery.

In his report, Modenback reported that Goodwill continued to develop its non-NISH contract opportunities. The Garden Center reopened with ongoing support from the Beau Rivage through their donation of flowers. A new local business, Southern Linen, began operation in May with Goodwill providing the labor force and the supervision of the operation. In October, Goodwill began a grass cutting and a custodial contract with the US Department of Agriculture. In Hancock County Goodwill provides grounds maintenance for Union Planters Bank.

Goodwill is also seeking more opportunities along the coast and in Hancock County to expand its opportunities for those with disabilities in grounds maintenance and custodial service. For further information contact Modenback at 863-2323.

In October, with the assistance of a grant from the City of Biloxi, Goodwill initiated a new program, a Business Computer Training School. The training school enables Goodwill to be better able to address the needs of its customers by providing them with the tools for job training. High praises were given by Modenback and new president Wilbur Dees for out-going president Cathy Mason for her dedication and leadership over the past two years.

FBLA students place in district competition



The Hancock County Vo-Tech Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) placed in the district level FBLA competition Feb. 8 at Jones Junior College. Students representing the Hancock School District in state FBLA competition April 18-20 in Jackson include, back row from left, first place winner in Introduction to Business, David Breland; second place winner in FBLA Principles and Procedures, Amber Payne; second place winner in Word Processing II, Candida Laine; fourth place winner in Business Math, Zach Lee; fifth place winner in Business Law, Holly Martin; sixth place winner in Economics, Rodney Necalse; sixth place winner in Business Procedures, Kreshell Nicholson; and sixth place winner in Networking Concepts, Eric Quibodeaux; and front row, third place Parliamentary Procedure Team winners Wishonda Acker, Shannon Parker, Anna Nguyen, Sheena Acker and Jessica Meador.

Diamondhead Spring Art Fling is this Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The 7th Annual Spring Art Fling at the Diamondhead Country Club kicks off this Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. More than 25 leading artists and craftsmen will display water colors, oils and acrylic

prints, bronze and copper sculpture, pottery and jewelry. The Diamondhead Continuing Education classes will also have a display of various mediums. All art will be available for sale. There will also be a silent auction conducted for an art print. The \$1 admission price will be donated to Hope Haven Children's Shelter and The Alzheimer's Foundation. For more information call Earlene Kornman at 255-6921.

Correction

A wrong date for a public hearing was listed in the March 15 edition of The Sea Coast Echo. The Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing at 2 p.m. April 23 on an appeal by Drew and Sherry Fillingame. The Planning and Zoning Commission recently denied their request for a special exception in order to build a stacked marina off Blue Meadow Road.

Hancock Water & Sewer special meet

The HCWS will have a special board meeting this Friday at 1 p.m. at its office at 1113 Hwy. 90, Bay St. Louis.

'A Celebration of Friendship' set

The Diamondhead Community Church will present "A Celebration of Friendship" this Sunday, March 25, at 8 and 10 a.m. worship services.

Central Christian Pre-school signups

Central Christian Academy and Preschool will host an open house and preregistration this Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at 1203 Hwy. 90, Bay St. Louis.



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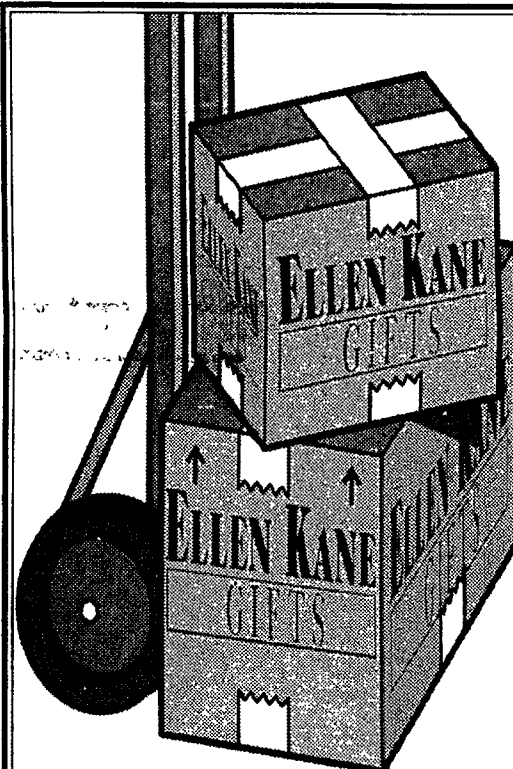
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Alderman, son's trial delayed

The assault trial of a Long Beach alderman and his policeman-son was delayed Monday after Pass Christian City Court Judge Frank Wittman recused himself.

Wittman appointed Judge Gene Henry to hear the case against Louis Elias Jr., 57, and his son, Louis N. Elias, 27. Henry has not announced the place or the time of the trial, but Rufus Alldredge of Long Beach will prosecute the case.

The elder Elias is charged

with two counts of simple assault causing bodily injury and simple assault by threat. His son, a Long Beach police officer, is charged with one count of simple assault causing bodily injury. He is on leave with pay from the Police Department pending the outcome of an internal investigation.

The charges stem from a scuffle with three people during the St. Paul's Carnival parade in Pass Christian Feb. 25.

Wastewater

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lion more for this year if needed in the interim.

Beard said on Wednesday that planners hope to have all the details ironed out within 30 to 45 days, making it possible to officially award the contract and begin work.

In other business: Hancock County Port and Harbor Director Hal Walter, Facilities Manager Steve Landry,

Director of Operations Greg Deakle, Deputy Director of EPA's Gulf of Mexico Program Bryon Griffith, and Rusty Miller met with the Board of Southern Regional in an executive session on Tuesday to discuss possible environmental and economic impact on the area by a proposed new development to be located in the vicinity of I-10 and Hwy. 603.

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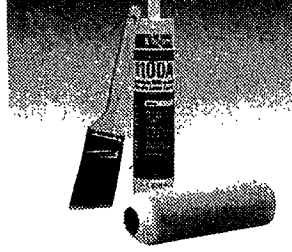
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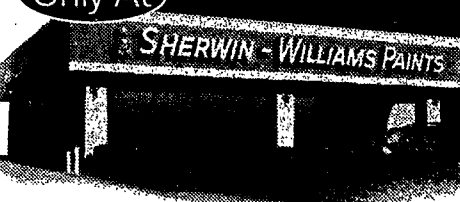
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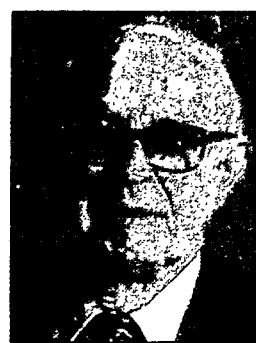


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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Do not forget the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce March Business After Hours this evening from 5 to 7.

Coast Electric Power Association is the sponsor, and the After Hours will be held in the Conference Room on Main Street behind the Shell Station on Highway 90.

This is one of those specials of the chamber that gives members and guests an opportunity to renew old friendships and make new ones.

Admission is two business cards, as there will be several door prizes. Coast Electric will also provide some good snacks.

I hope to see you at the After Hours.

This morning from 8 to 9, the Diamondhead Business and Professional Association will hold its March meeting at the Diamondhead Country Club.

Guest speaker will be Bryan Griffith, deputy director of the U.S. EPA Gulf of Mexico Program headquartered at the John C. Stennis Space Center.

Hancock County receives much support from the Gulf of Mexico Program in several very important projects. Griffith should be giving some very important information on the projects they are assisting our county with and making ours a better environment.

Diamondhead's March Business After Hours will also be this evening from 5 to 7 at the new Subway store located behind the BP station and hosted by Jim Quackenbush and Garland Johnson.

In today's world parents of students in our schools appear to be on the receiving end of much criticism and receive very few praises. Yet, there are very dedicated parents who devote hours and hours of service to our schools out of the goodness of their hearts and concern for their children.

It is great to see that the Bay-Waveland School District Board of Trustees last week recognized a parent with the honor of Parent of the Year at each of the district's schools.

Parents receiving the Bay-Waveland District's honors were Belinda Graves, also Curt Graves, both from Bay High School; Andre Sires, Middle School; Larry Main, Second Street Elementary; Stephanie Williams, Waveland Elementary; and Dawn Booth, North Bay Elementary.

Congratulations are in order to these parents and all the other parents who offer much needed support to all of our schools.

In today's world teachers have so many responsibilities that a little help from parents go a very long way.

Keep up the good work, devoted parents.

As some of you may know, Jimmie Ladner has been named the general chairman for the 2001 Red Beans & Rice Cookoff fund raiser for the American Cancer Society.

The event is to be held Monday, April 23, at the Hancock County Civic Center.

Jimmie, who is our tax collector/assessor, will be trying to top last year's proceeds which had Tim Kellar, chancery clerk, as chairman.

This will mark the 12th year for the fund raiser in Hancock County, and there are several annual contestants, while some new challengers are needed in the fun competition.

Who knows, you could receive the Golden Bean Award for 2001. The red beans are furnished, while the competitors supply the 'secret' ingredients and rice and prepare them before the cookoff.

Ladner is asking anyone interested in helping with this big fund raiser for the American Cancer Society to give him or Sandy a call at 466-6791. Jimmie feels the more competitors, the more fun can be had by all participants. He said he is also trying to line up some special entertainment this year.

The general public plays an important role, too, by coming out and enjoying some very good cooked red beans and rice for a very small donation. I know it is early, but I hope to see you at the cookoff on Monday, April 23.

Taylor: Surpluses should only go toward paying down the debt

If President Bush expected Gene Taylor, the maverick conservative Democratic congressman from Mississippi's Gulf Coast district to vote for his \$1.6 trillion income tax cut, he didn't know our Gene.

Not only did Taylor vote against the Bush tax package when it narrowly passed the House on March 8, he rallied his fellow "Blue Dog" Democrats to do likewise. The Blue Dogs had earlier been thought to be possible allies for the tax cut.

Taylor's chief reasons for opposing the Bush tax cut bill, however, were different from those of the Democratic leadership in Congress which had zeroed in on the size of the proposed cuts in the Bush income tax plan, contending the new rates heavily favored the rich and did little for small wage earners.

Taylor is passionately opposed the Bush tax package, because he contends it raids surpluses from the Social Security, Medicare, Military and Civil Service retirees trust funds in order to make the federal budget surplus look fatter, to justify the income tax cut.

I spoke with the 5th District lawmaker, who after 12 years in Congress still has movie-star good looks, recently in

Hattiesburg and then again on the phone several days later.

He insisted "those surpluses should only go toward paying down the debt that is already owed the trust funds. To do otherwise is a fraud on American taxpayers."

Borrowing from the trust funds that began in the Reagan years, Taylor declares, has left Social Security, Medicare and military and federal employees trust funds holding \$2.3 trillion in debt securities.

"And now the Bush Administration, expects us (the Blue Dogs) to roll over and play dead and do nothing to pay off the debt to these trust funds," he declared.

"That is a game we are not willing to play. It would betray our pledges to the people we represent."

Taylor tried to offer an amendment to the Administration bill when it was on the House floor March 8 to make the trust fund surpluses off limits in revenue estimates but his amendment was barred by the Republican-controlled rules committee.

What the Bush

Administration has already done that especially troubles Taylor is to remove the debt securities held by the four trust funds from the classification of "Public Debt," and rename them "Treasury Securities."

That bit of chicanery, he says, "was to sweeten the pot for its tax proposal." He adds: "Are these trust fund holdings not public debt securities?"

Since the Bush leaders are using the Reagan Administration as their model for fiscal policy and tax cutting, the Mississippian says, "the American people need to cut through the 'myths' of Reaganomics. They will find the core of our present national debt."

Taylor contends that the Reagan Administration's highly touted income tax cuts in 1981 did not result in an increase in federal revenues during the Reagan years as Republicans now claim.

"In fact," he says, "the record proves almost half of increased revenues of the Reagan era came from Social Security and Medicare payroll taxes which

were raised by President Reagan and Congress in 1983."

When the Reagan Administration raised payroll taxes on wage-earning Americans, Taylor maintains, it more than offset any benefits they received from the 1981 income tax cut.

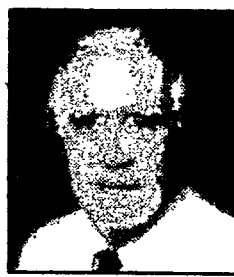
On top of that, he said, the Reagan Administration masked what amounted to consumer tax increases in 1982, 1984 and 1986 by calling them "revenue enhancements." Overall, the Reagan years, Taylor added, "began a period of exploding federal deficits that led us to our current \$5.7 trillion debt, and \$1 billion per day in interest payments."

When payroll taxes for Social Security and Medicare were raised in the Reagan years, the declared intent was to create surpluses in the trust funds and pre-fund liabilities when the Baby Boom generation retires.

By failing to protect those surpluses for their intended purpose, Taylor charged, "It's evident all the Republicans care about is getting elected next time. They care nothing about the American people."

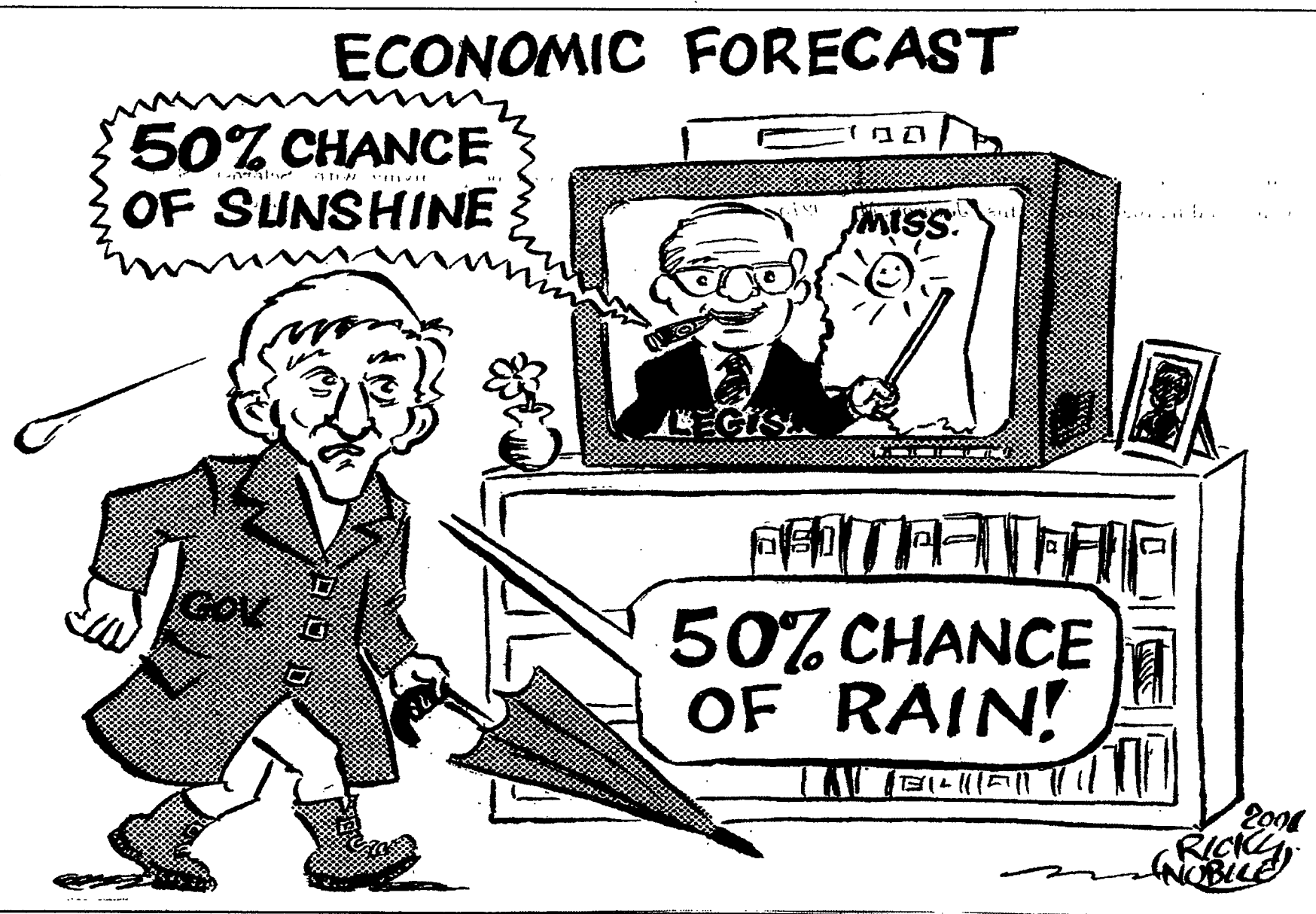
Taylor is convinced that the U.S. Senate will pass a "sub-

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Eyes on Mississippi

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To the Editor:

On March 15, two of our daughters, while enroute to Biloxi, were involved in a severe automobile accident while attempting to enter the Bay Bridge.

This accident left both of our daughters lying unconscious in the middle of the intersection. The amount of people who stopped to help was astounding. I have been told that even the woman who sells vegetables on the corner had dropped to her knees to pray for our daughters' well being.

The accident was so severe that Chief of Police Frank McNeil appeared on the scene to ensure all was done that could be done. There were more Bay St. Louis Police Officers, both on and off duty, than one can imagine.

Luckily, our daughters sustained no life-threatening

injuries and will heal with time.

We would like to thank the crew of both ambulances and the many people who stopped to help and those who prayed and those who cared for someone they did not know. You know who you are, and we hope we someday can repay all for their kinds deeds.

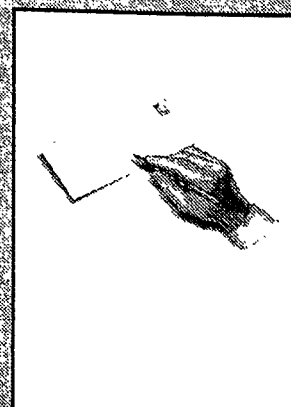
We would like to give a special thanks to two very special police officers - Sgt. Jim Martin and Police Officer Melissa Wellman - who went far above and beyond the call of duty in the care of our family.

It is with pride and thanks that I can say that I live in a community of such fine people and a police force that not only protects and serves, but cares while doing so. We say thank you all so much.

Sincerely,
Gene and Sandra Littell
Bay St. Louis

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



Keep up the good work

To the Editor:
We would like to commend Jimmy Loiacano and his crew for their efforts to keep Bay St. Louis clean.

It's looking much better. Thanks Jimmy. Keep up the good work.
Virginia and Fred Wagner
Bay St. Louis

FROM THE MISSISSIPPI SENATE

By State Senator
Scottie Cuevas

The Mississippi Senate has moved deeply into the appropriations process and sent many bills to conference, but also approved a bill concerning local roads that I think most Mississippians will be interested in.

As most of you know, when differences exist between House and Senate versions of legislation, those bills are sent to six-member committees to iron out the differences.

We sent many bills to conference to put the final polish on them before they head to the governor.

I think the local system road bill, Senate Bill 2318, which I was proud to co-author, and which establishes the Local System Road Program, will go a long way toward helping counties construct, reconstruct or pave many roads under their jurisdiction.

What the bill does is allow counties to use up to 25 percent of their State Aid road money on roads that are not under the State Aid program.

The State Aid program is designed to help counties maintain and construct roads that are major roads or highways within a county or are part of the 1987 highway program.

These are roads that connect communities with each other and to the state highway system.

The Local System Road Program will allow some of that money to be spent on roads that have less than 400 vehicles traffic per day on them. The money may only be used if all the bridges in the county are up to standard or under contract to be upgraded.

This bill will not cost the state any additional money, but will give counties more flexibility in spending road money. This

bill is awaiting the governor's signature.

Another significant development was the approval of SB 2239, which I also co-authored and which establishes the "Mississippi School Safety Act of 2001."

I'm convinced this bill will restore discipline to the classrooms and give teachers more authority over what happens in their rooms.

I feel that in addition to other parts of the bill, the elements that deal with disruptive students are critical to the success of Mississippi children. The bill arms teachers with the power to remove chronically disruptive students from their classrooms.

It's important to note at this point that this bill is not aimed at children who are simply mischievous or active. This portion of the bill is aimed at children who have at least twice before exhibited seriously disruptive behavior.

It provides that a classroom teacher may send a child out of the room, and that child will not be allowed back into the classroom until there has been a conference with the child's parent or guardian.

In order to help students understand what is expected of them, local school boards will adopt a Code of Conduct and make it available to all students, parents and guardians. This Code will also be published in the student handbook.

There are other elements of the bill that I feel will go a long way towards promoting a better learning environment in our classrooms.

The bill is now awaiting the governor's signature.

Sen. Cuevas may be reached in Jackson at 601-359-3770 or by writing P.O. Box 1018, Jackson, MS 39215.

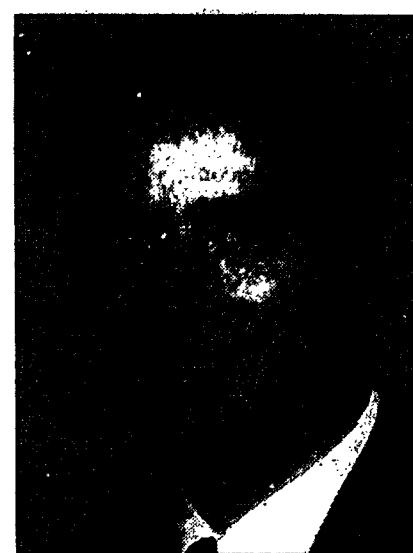
Ward announces candidacy for Justice Court judge

Harry Beyer Ward of Bay St. Louis has announced his candidacy for Justice Court Judge East in the Nov. 6 special election.

Ward is a practicing attorney in Hancock County and is presently serving as public defender in Hancock County. He has served as an assistant attorney general and staff attorney for the Department of Environmental Quality in Louisiana.

Ward was graduated in the top 10 percent of his law school class and obtained a master's of law in environmental law at Tulane. He was also graduated from the University of Mississippi with a bachelor of science in environmental geology.

Ward has been a longtime resident of Hancock County. In making his announcement for judge, Ward said, "Each year hundreds of criminal felony cases are initiated by the Justice Court system in addition to thousands of misdemeanor cases and civil cases."



Harry Beyer Ward

"Your Justice Court judge should have a formal legal education and an in-depth knowledge of the rules of evidence. As a Justice Court judge, I will bring many years of education and court room experience to the bench."

Multiple Sclerosis Society Walk is Saturday, March 31

Time to give credit where credit is due. And if anyone deserves recognition it is all the walkers participating in the 13th annual Mississippi Division National Multiple Sclerosis Society Walk on March 31. Among the expected participants is Bernitha Bynum of the Jackson MS WALK team 'The Blue Pacers.'

These people and all the other walkers will collect pledges for completing the 3-5 mile course. The proceeds go toward the funding of national and international research projects focusing on MS, as well as client programs for people with MS.

In fact, 60 cents of every dollar raised at the Mississippi Division's MS Walk will remain here in Mississippi to fund client programs for the over 1,700 area people living with MS.

The Mississippi Division of the National MS Society is still looking for volunteers to help out the day of the walk, March 31. This is another great way to help the society in its mission to end the devastating effects of MS.

Volunteers will be responsible for set-up and clean-up, hosting snack stations, registering walkers, or a number of other duties. "A big smile and a few words of encouragement for the walkers are the only criteria we really have for our volunteers," said Jennifer Cotner, fund-raising coordinator.

Multiple sclerosis is an often disabling disease of the central nervous system. It often strikes in young adulthood, between the ages of 20-40.

The disease is particularly devastating because of its unpredictability. Symptoms range from mild to extreme, including numbness and tingling, paralysis and blindness. These symptoms can come and go without pattern or warning.

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society is dedicated to ending the devastating effects of MS. The society has funded more research and helped more people with MS than any other national voluntary MS organization in the world.

Last year the Mississippi Division National MS Society Walk raised over \$70,000 to help support the local and national efforts of the MS Society.

Recent research led to the development of three drugs: Avonex, Betaseron, and Copaxone, for the treatment of MS. Anyone with the most common form of MS should see a physician about these treatments.

The drugs may help delay or reduce future disabilities in many people with multiple sclerosis. This year's walk has a second purpose (in addition to fundraising) - the National MS Society is trying to educate people about these drug therapies.

To sponsor one of our walkers or to volunteer for day-of-event duties, call the Mississippi Division of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society at (601) 856-7575.

For information about MS of the National MS Society 24 hours a day, call 1-800-FIGHT-MS, or e-mail at info@nmss.org, or visit www.nationalmssociety.org.

If you or someone you know has MS - The National Multiple Sclerosis Society recommends that people with the most common form of MS consider using one of three FDA approved treatments: Avonex, Betaseron or Copaxone. The sooner, the better.

For detailed information about this recommendation, call Jill Drage at the Mississippi Division at (601) 856-7575, or go to the special booth at the start of the MS WALK.

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stantially better" income tax bill than the one passed by the House.

And he does not believe any bill will eventually clear Congress unless it has a "triggering" mechanism, a safety device if the 10-year projected budget surplus fails to materialize.

While the trigger device is backed by centrist Republicans in the Senate, the Bush Administration opposes it.

Meantime, Mississippi's Gene Taylor, 47, often considered a "closet Republican" by Democratic loyalists, continues to confound both friends and foes with his unpredictable stands.

But there's nobody in sight who is going to whip him at the polls.

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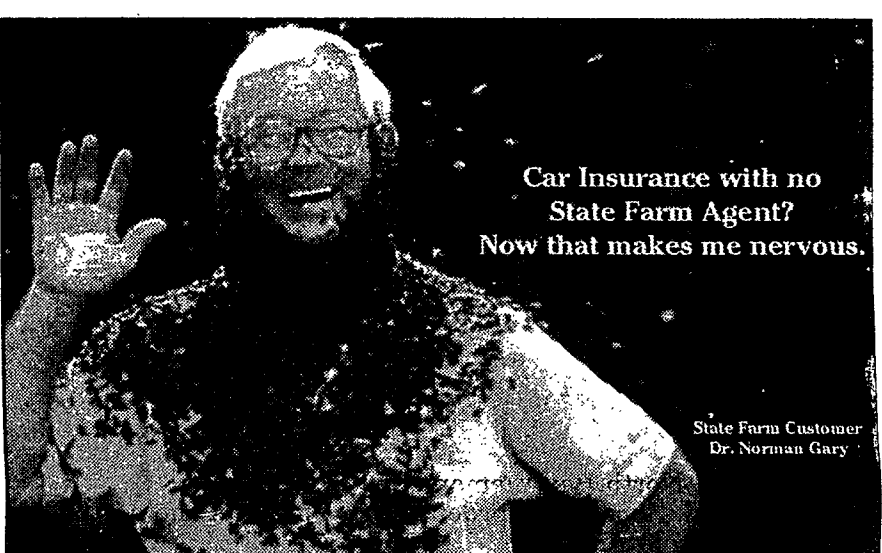
CFC Invites Applications

Local non-profit health and human service agencies wishing to participate in the Fall 2001 Southern Mississippi Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) are advised the deadline for application is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 13, 2001. For application forms and information, call United Way of South Mississippi CFC Office, 228-863-4884 ext. 13. Forms are also available from the US Office of Personnel Management at:

www.opm.gov/cfc

Applications should be mailed to the:

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PSC warns consumers of Internet phone scam

Southern District Public Service Commissioner Michael Callahan would like to issue a "consumer warning" to residents of Southern Mississippi concerning a costly internet scam.

If you have international charges on your phone bill to Vanuatu, Madagascar, Chad, etc. that you did not make, you may be a victim of "Modem Hijacking."

Modem Hijacking is one of the newest internet scams being used by some websites. The problem occurs when the internet user is encouraged to download a "viewer" that will allow access to the material at no cost or obligation to the user.

Downloading the "viewer" allows the scam artists to "hijack" your modem with their software. The "viewer" is actually a program that performs

secret operations in a computer.

The secret operation, in this case, shuts off the sound to your modem, disconnects you from your local internet service provider and connects you to an international phone number.

Commissioner Callahan recommends that consumers apply an international block on their phone and/or computer line to help protect themselves from this scam. Since AT&T seems to be the long distance provider in all of the scam cases that the Mississippi Public Service Commission has received, Callahan suggest that you call AT&T Customer Service at 1-800-222-0300 to place the international block.

If you have further questions regarding this matter, call the Mississippi Public Service Commission at 1-800-356-6429.

Voices of Hope Festival is May 4

A free festival will be Friday, May 4, 7-9 p.m. at St. Stanislaus Stadium in Bay St. Louis. The event is sponsored by Voices of Hope, a volunteer organization dedicated to world peace.

Many local schools and organizations will be featured in the celebration of music, dance, friendship and peace.

Local peacemakers will be honored for their dedication. Other awards will be made for outstanding community dedication, social work, public service and volunteerism.

The Peace Festival will feature a hot air balloon glow as well as cold air balloons. Everyone is invited. There will be many prizes awarded.

Attendees are asked to bring a chair and a flashlight. Donations of canned goods will be collected for the Food Pantry.

For information, contact Connie Heitzmann at 467-1892 or e-mail voicesofhope@email.com.



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Entertainment

Joe Diffie plays Magic

Country musician Joe Diffie plays Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Saturday, March 24 at 9 p.m. in the Magic Entertainment Complex.

Kicking off the show is local rising star, Richie Jones. See both country hot shots for \$10, \$15 and \$20. For tickets, call 1-800-5-MAGIC-5, or any Ticketmaster outlet.

Diffie has earned a sterling reputation as a singer's singer, a master song craftsman and a flawless judge of great country lyrics. One of the most liked and respected figures on Music Row, he has repeatedly demonstrated his prowess on the charts as one of the most consistent hits makers of the '90s. Three Gold albums, two Platinum, and one Double Platinum plaques hang on his walls.

They'll have to make room for another. A Night To Remember is arguably the finest collection of songs he has ever released.

A Night To Remember contains four of Diffie's compositions. His spectacular voice frequently overshadows the fact that he is a hit writer. But it was as a songwriter and demo singer that Joe Diffie originally rose to prominence in Nashville.

The former Oklahoma iron foundry worker moved to Music City in 1986. His bluegrass and country roots ran deep; and his "quick study" abilities rapidly attracted attention in the song-

writing and publishing community. In between shifts at the Gibson Guitar factory warehouse, Diffie sang "I've Cried My Last Tear For You" (later a hit for Ricky van Shelton), "Born Country" (likewise Alabama), "You Don't Count The Cost" (Billy Dean), and dozens of other tunes.

His own compositions were recorded by Charley Pride, Hank Thompson, the Forrester Sisters, Tracy Lawrence, Doug Stone and Clinton Gregory, among others. Diffie's co-written "There Goes My Heart Again" became a chart-topper for Holly Dunn in 1989.

His first two albums, A Thousand Winding Roads and Regular Joe, were both certified Gold Records. His 1992 duet with Mary-Chapin Carpenter, "Not Too Much To Ask," was nominated for a Grammy and he picked up a CMA Award for his work with George Jones on "I Don't Need Your Rockin' Chair."

In recognition of his contributions, Country Radio Broadcasters presented Diffie with its Humanitarian Award during the 1997 Country Radio Seminar convention. It is, he says, the highest honor he has ever received.

Another incredible honor was bestowed upon Joe Diffie when he won his first Grammy in 1999 for his performance on "Same Old Train," a Marty Stuart song from Sony's Tribute To Tradition album.



Ribmeisters – ready for the guests.

'Living La Vida Porka'

For all those who have dreamed what it would be like to be Living La Vida Porka (Living the Pig's Life) the Gulf Coast Symphony Orchestra Board has just the opportunity for you at their 13th annual Barbecue Under the Oaks Saturday, March 31 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the home of Dr. Don and Peggy Sprabery in Pass Christian.

Greeting the guests will be Calypso music by Johnny Chevrolet in a setting of lush greenery and tables decorated with fresh fruits from the islands, all a part of the Caribbean theme.

Surrounding the site will be teams of ribmeisters, all of whom will be serving their latest creations including "Three Alarm Chili," Oysters Henri, a whole roasted pig, grilled sausage, ribs and chicken, plus all the usual "sides."

This year there will be a luscious dessert tent filled with delicious treats from the kitchens of the members of the Gulf Coast Symphony Guild.

The popular "prize tent" will have a large assortment of prizes for lucky winners to choose from, with the grand prize "Two nights at the five-star Windsor Court Hotel in New Orleans."

The highlight of the day will be a live auction conducted by John McFarland and Butch Oustalet. Included in the auction will be a special string of pearls, paintings by Emmitt Thames, cruises, high tea for 12 and elegant dinners.

A popular item up for auction is an opportunity to be guest conductor at the Memorial Day concert; including two free lessons from Dr. John Strickler, conductor of the Gulf Coast

Symphony Orchestra. Returning this year by popular demand there will be a silent auction tent loaded with goodies.

Special treats will be provided in the children's area. The "Wings" group from the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center will assist the children in special activities, including balloon sculptures and the popular face painting.

The Gulfport Police will bring their DARE train to assist guests with transportation from the parking lot to the barbecue.

Cost for the event is \$25 in advance, \$30 at the gate and \$10 for children 10 and under.

Information on tickets is available at the Gulf Coast Symphony Office at (228) 435-9800.

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Gulfport Grand events

Due to popular demand, the 'R' rated hypnotist, Anthony Cools, has extended his show at Grand Casino Gulfport. If you haven't caught the wild humor of Anthony Cools, then you have another opportunity to come see his uncensored hypnosis show at Grand Gulfport. He is now playing through May 24.

Cools has taken the art form of comedic hypnosis and soared into an entertainment dimension untouched by his peers. As others have cautiously tested the outer limits of adult comedy, Calgary-born Cools has taken the plunge into an outrageous vat of raw, boiling humor. He operates on your sexual hang-ups as well as your funny bone with the same instrument; a wry sense of humor that is sure to keep you in tears.

His uncensored shows have played to sold-out audiences in Canada, and he continues to play to large crowds on the Coast. His special brand of

humor can be seen in the Gulfport Grand Showroom every Wednesday through Sunday at 9pm. There are three dates that are an exception to this schedule: March 18th the show is at 10pm, March 25th the show is at 10pm, and March 28th the show is at 9:30pm. Show is dark Monday and Tuesday nights. Tickets are \$9.95. For more information, please call the Grand Casino Gulfport box office at 1-800-WIN-7777, ext. 1988.

Upcoming Entertainment At Gulfport Grand Showroom:
March 24 - John Anderson: Tickets are \$9.95, performance times are 7pm and 9pm.

April 6 - John Conlee: Show is free, performance time is 7pm and 9pm.

April 13 and April 14 - Trick Pony: Show is free to Grand Advantage members, \$5 for non-Grand Advantage members. Performance time is 7pm and 9pm.

Casino Magic March Happenings

Joe Diffie (country)
Opening act: Richie Jones, Saturday, March 24, 9 p.m., \$10, \$15 and \$20
Eddie Money, March 29, 8 p.m., \$10, \$12 & \$15

Free Weekly Entertainment:
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Seated, Janelle Kern, Brenda Dubuisson, Debra Burch, Fredia Eley, Pamela Galila, Dorothy Todd; standing, Barry Swennumson, Allison Manieri, Kathleen Natal, Gregory Ceaser, John Abraham, Lynn Mirandy, Joan Cumella and Danielle Rose.

HMC hosts employee awards banquet

Hancock Medical Center employees were recognized for years of service recently at the annual Employee Awards Banquet at The Bridges at Casino Magic.

A highlight of the evening was presentation of the 2000 Employee of the Year Award to Dora Saucier. Saucier, a housekeeper, was selected by co-workers for outstanding dedication, dependability and positive attitude.

Administrator Hal W. Leftwich, FACHE described the employees' combined years of service as an important component of quality patient care.

"Your tenure and expertise combine with the compassion you exhibit in patient care and helps forge a caring bond with our community," he told the honorees.

Receiving awards were:

20-Year Pin: Sonja Alexis (Nursing/ICU), Ingrid Brink

(Nursing/OB), Deborah Heidelberg (Materiel Management) and Mary Weinmann (Risk Management)

15-Year Pin: Carolyn Cross (Nursing/OR), Mary Harris (Nursing/ER), Teresa Kintz (Cardiopulmonary) and Nannette Stroh (Medical Records)

10-Year Pin: Mary Ausmer (Human Resources/Employee Health), Lynda Crider (Nursing/OB), Jessica Dedeaux (Nursing/Medical), Audrey Dunn (Human Resources), Bonnie Fayard (Cardiopulmonary), Marian Hoda (Quality Resources), Brenda Hoffman (Nursing/ICU), Martha Oliver (ICU), Barbara Penton (Medical Records), Francine Templet (Medical Records) and Kathleen Quintini-Cook (Quality Resources)

5-Year Pin: John Abraham (Dietary), Dale Belham (Dietary), Pamela Brown (Nursing/Medical), Debra Burch (Nursing Administration), Gregory Ceaser (Housekeeping), Joan Cumella

(Nursing/OB), Shelley Davis (Nursing/OB), Brenda Dubuisson (Nursing/Surgical), Sharon Edwards (Radiology).

Also, Fredia Eley (Nursing Administration), Pamela Galila (Nursing/Medical), Geraldine Goss (Nursing/ OB), Dena Karr (Cardiopulmonary), Janelle Kern (Patient Financial Services), Allison Manieri (Nursing/OR), Lynn Mirandy (Nursing/Medical), Kathleen Natal (Nursing/OR), Monica Rader (Radiology), Danielle Rose (Nursing/Pediatrics), Sky Smith (Nursing/ICU), Barry Swennumson (Facilities Services) and Dorothy Todd (Dietary).

Others honored were employees with **20-plus service years:** Ezell Butler (Information Systems), 21 years, and Carmen Montgomery (Dietary), 28 years.

Employees of the Quarter for 2000 recognized were Anna Kalom (Marketing), Susan Riehle (Nursing/ER), Pam Thompson (Laboratory) and Dora Saucier (Housekeeping).

Hancock School District Reading Fair winners

Students in grades kindergarten through five at Charles B. Murphy Elementary, East Hancock Elementary, Gulfview Elementary, and Hancock North Central Elementary and sixth, seventh and eighth graders at Hancock Middle School recently participated in the third annual Mississippi Reading Fair.

The fair allows students to read and create storyboards about their favorite books.

The boards are required to contain such information as book title, author, publisher, publication date, setting, main characters, plot summary, conflict, resolution, purpose, and tone/mood.

First, second, and third place winners in individual school competition took part in district competition March 16.

The first place winners from district advance to regional

competition to be held April 7 in Stone County. District Reading Fair winners are:

Division A - Kindergarten: Haley Holder, East Hancock Elementary

Division B - First Grade: Brady Smith, Gulfview Elementary

Division C - Second Grade: Lauren Whitney, Hancock North Central

Division D - Third Grade: Brad Hill, Charles B. Murphy Elementary

Division E - Fourth and Fifth Grade: Hank Brezeale, East Hancock Elementary

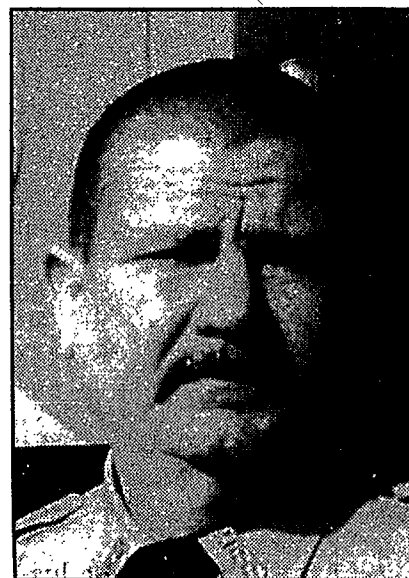
Division F - Sixth-Eighth Grade: Scott Hussey, Hancock Middle School

Division G - Grades K-3 Group: Joseph and Jamie Jelinski, East Hancock

Division H - Grades 4-8 Group: Mrs. Wilson's Power Hour - East Hancock



Steven Miller



Martin Pavolini

Miller, Pavolini attend State Fire Academy

From Oct. 30 through Dec. 15, 2000, there were 18 firefighters who completed six weeks of intense firefighting instruction at the Mississippi Fire Academy.

Among them were Steve Miller of the Waveland Fire Department and Martin Pavolini of the Bay St. Louis Fire Department.

The course was designed to meet the uniform minimum training standards stated in the Mississippi Code section 83-1-37, and the course also meets or exceeds the training standards set by the National Fire Protection Association for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications.

Additional instruction was presented on Hazardous

Materials for First Responders and the Incident Command System.

Students have returned to their departments with an understanding of equipment found on fire apparatus, how the equipment functions and are able to test the safety of such items as hose and ladders.

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State auditor awards Stasny for asset management

State Auditor Phil Bryant presented Dr. Kim Stasny, superintendent at the Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District, a Certificate Recognizing Achievement in Fixed Asset Management.

State law requires that once each year the Auditor's Office send a representative to audit the fixed assets for each district. No errors or problems were discovered in this audit.

"I don't get to deliver good news very often," Bryant said with a smile. "People don't usually like to see the auditors coming. The people at the Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District have been very good stewards of their property."

"The taxpayers should know that their tax dollars have been well maintained. We are proud to present this award to Dr. Stasny."

In response to the recognition, Dr. Stasny said maintaining fixed assets requires team work. Business manager Garland Cuevas organized the system, and the principal of each school implemented it.

Dr. Stasny deferred the

honor to her staff saying, "Without teachers and administrators working together, the district would not have been awarded exemplary status."

Coast Episcopal School fundraiser is March 25

Pass Christian will become a "piazza" Sunday, March 25 at 5 p.m. as an assortment of friends of Coast Episcopal School sponsor "A Taste of Italy."

The school's International Studies students will culminate their year-long investigation of classical history and culture with a trip to Italy in May, and the proceeds from this weekend's event will directly support this academic endeavor. The home and grounds of Pearson and Marisa Potts at 113 Wisteria Drive will feature culinary masterpieces from Armand's, Andrea's of New Orleans, Chef Gino Scialdone, and Brocato's Ice Cream and Confectionery.

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Developer

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Aldermen meeting to get a time frame on when the residential neighborhood might return to normal.

Kalif said she had reports of workers blocking driveways and the narrow street when they parked their vehicles, school buses being unable to get into the neighborhood and litter scattered about.

Whiteman apologized for any inconvenience to the neighborhood, and said he called Pass Christian police to assist with traffic control when large cement trucks needed to come into the area. He said most of the alleged violations were caused by sub-contractors on the job.

On Whiteman's behalf, city attorney Malcolm Jones said the developer has been cooperative when complaints are lodged, and has corrected problems "within 24 to 48 hours."

Whiteman is building 15 single-family houses on Morton, and told aldermen he has constructed as many as 60 houses in Pass Christian over the last few years.

He told Kalif he expected the development will be completed by the first week in April, and the debris should be gone by the time workers begin landscaping the area.

In other business Tuesday night:

• Ward 3 Alderman Michael Antoine gained board approval for a consultant to look into flooding and ponding of water on Market Street. Antoine said in recent heavy rains, some houses in the 200 block of Market were threatened and the problem has persisted for years. Public Works Director Billy Billingsley told aldermen a large culvert needs replacing, along with about 100 feet of drainage lines. The board voted to have consultant John Campton with Garner, Russell Engineers, look into the situation and make recommendations to correct the problem.

USMGC gets bonds for advanced center

Harrison County and its five municipalities have released \$2 million in bond money to construct an advanced education center at the Long Beach campus of the University of Southern Mississippi.

The bonds funds are part of \$13.3 million needed for the

• Aldermen accepted the resignation of firefighter Jared McGill, and authorized Fire Chief Rich Marvil to add Jason Rodney to the part-time call-out list for the fire department. The fire department continues to lose personnel to Long Beach and other nearby cities, where the starting pay is thousands of dollars higher than the starting pay of \$17,500 in the Pass.

Antoine said, "I know it's not all about money, but I hope we can do something about it soon."

• At the start of the meeting when persons not listed on the agenda are allowed to comment, Diane Brueger, owner of the Inn at the Pass bed and breakfast on Scenic Drive, complained the city's Historical Preservation Commission and Board of Zoning Adjustments continues to hinder business in Pass Christian.

She referred specifically to the Palace in the Pass, which has filed suit in Harrison County Circuit Court after the Zoning Adjustment Board ruled the reception hall should not be allowed to operate on Scenic Drive in a residential neighborhood.

Brueger said a large tool supply company wanted to bring 150 people into the city for a meeting, but was hesitant about booking the Palace because of the uncertainty of its future. "Restaurants, shops and others would have benefited from this," she said.

She asked Mayor Billy McDonald if he and aldermen could remove members of the Zoning Adjustment Board, but Jones said, under current law, "there must be just cause for removal," such as a criminal act or malfeasance in office.

He said members of the Historical Preservation Commission serve at the pleasure of the mayor and aldermen and they can be replaced at any time.

project, which will be built with state and local money. Plans call for a three-story, 50,681-square-foot building with 25 classrooms and a 500-seat auditorium. The overall project is scheduled for completion in 2002, and will also include a 54,235-square-foot library.

Drain -- Bay Council holds project

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scant amounts of water accumulated on them during the recent torrential rainstorms.

Citizen Street, he said, was "dry" during the downpour, while Ballentine had mere "puddles" in the roadway. "I just don't see spending all this money because you've got puddles in the street," said Seal, who had driven around the city during the deluge to check on the drainage situation. "...I'm not in for spending money if it's not needed."

Seal, whose district encompasses the area north of Highway 90, likened the drainage proposal to "building a Taj Mahal when all you need is a place to sleep."

His statements came just after project engineer James Chiniche had told council he's almost ready to advertise the drainage project for bids, having completed all of the engineering work and most of the easement procurement process.

But after Seal's insistence that the two streets don't need an expensive drainage upgrade, council voted unanimously to set the project aside, at least temporarily.

Chiniche said changing the plans at this point will add some engineering and drafting fees to the tab — but certainly less than proceeding with construction.

In all, Chiniche has prepared the way to upgrade drainage facilities on four streets, as an "extension" of the massive public works project the city recently completed. The two other streets, St. John and Easterbrook, are in dire need of upgrade, council still agrees.

Last year, Ward 3 council member Connie Lampley had urged council to address flooding along St. John and Easterbrook in the 400 blocks, where there are some broken and inadequate culverts in driveways crossing drainage ditches.

Several weeks ago, Seal had suggested that city Public Works officials perhaps could hire temporary crews to tackle needed work on all four streets, most likely saving tremendously over the cost of contracting the work out to the private sector.

While an estimate for the cost of doing the work in-house has not been given publicly, Chiniche has given a \$1 million estimate for contracting the projects.

He said Tuesday that disconnecting the 500 block of Citizen from the work might be more difficult than it seems, because plans called to install culverts in that area where existing ditches are too wide — and still inadequate.

Channeling drainage toward the city's main outfall, via Citizen, would require upgrading its capacity, Chiniche said.

Seal was not satisfied with that explanation, and insisted on seeing the engineering calculations involved. Chiniche said he'd be glad to supply that data.

Meanwhile, Ward 4 council member Tad Black, who's running for mayor, said Seal possibly was correct in asserting that Citizen Street doesn't need the work previously planned. Ballentine, he said, does have a problem that needs addressing.

All were in agreement that drainage woes along St. John and Easterbrook are significant.

In the salary matter, Ward 2 council member James Thrifflay read proposed pay figures from a piece of paper, and made a motion to adopt the

new scale. Black asked what the mayor currently is paid, then abstained from the vote.

Mayor Eddie Favre, who's running for re-election, makes \$56,000 to \$57,000 annually, Favre told council. Under the plan adopted Tuesday, the mayor will get a cost-of-living hike in July 2001, based on the Consumer Price Index from July 2000 through June 2001. The plan calls for such hikes annually, as has been the case in the past.

Council members, meanwhile, will see an additional \$50 per month for the next four years, beginning in July. That will put their monthly pay at \$1,050 in July 2001, increasing to \$1,200 a month in July 2004. The president of council, who traditionally makes \$100 a month more than the other council members, will have a salary of \$1,150 in July, and \$1,300 by July 2004.

Council customarily deals with pay raises on the eve of municipal elections, avoiding awarding increases as incumbents.

Only two council members, Bill Taylor and James Thrifflay, have no opposition in their bids for re-election. Seal and Lampley have opposition for re-election, and Black is abandoning his seat to run for mayor.

In other business, council was given highlights of the findings from audit of the fiscal 1998 year. Auditor Steve Dockens of the firm Moore & Powell said the audit found potentially serious problems in the way the city handles collections of court fines. City officials responded that the system has been totally revamped since the problems were spotted.

Overall, "the financials look good," Dockens said. His firm is about to begin the fiscal 1999 audit, and hopes to have completed the fiscal 2000 audit by the end of summer.

In other business Tuesday, council:

• Accepted a contract with the Mississippi Department of Transportation for installing a traffic signal at the intersection of Highway 90 and Drinkwater Boulevard. The state will cover the estimated \$186,000 cost of the project, including engineering, the equipment and installation.

• Agreed to buy an \$18,426 Chevrolet with proceeds from the tobacco lawsuit settlement. Favre said the car will be used for crime prevention and law enforcement travel purposes. He assured council the city won't allow smoking inside the

car. Council had complained that the first car the city bought with tobacco settlement funds had been driven by an officer who smoked in the vehicle.

• Appointed John Wilkerson the Planning and Zoning Commission, filling a seat recently vacated by Joe Zeigler. Favre said he expects another resignation soon from the com-

mission, and will recommend another appointee at that time.

• Agreed to new restrictions on when fireworks may be purchased and discharged in the city limits. The new rules allow sale and use of fireworks on 12 specified days: Dec. 26 through Jan. 1, and June 30 through July 4.

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SPORTS

Pass wins three of four, Tigers fall to Hancock 10-8

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The area high school baseball teams have been quite busy during the past week. Bay High, Hancock, Pass Christian, and St. Stanislaus all were in action over the weekend on the high school diamond.

The Pass Christian Pirates claimed three wins in four games between Saturday and Monday. On Saturday, March 17, the Pirates split with Richton and tallied one win over Tylertown. Then, on Monday, March 19, the Pirates ran past West Marion for their fifth victory of the season.

On Saturday, the Pirates won the first game of a double-header with Richton 21-1 and dropped the second game 14-9. Darren Henderson pitched a two-hitter in the first game and struck out seven batters. Henderson improved to 2-3 on the season.

Jarrod Malley and Richard Dedeaux each smacked home-runs for the Pirates while John Cuevas added three hits for Pass Christian.

In the second game, Henderson provided the offense for the Pirates as he hammered out three hits and drove in three runs in the loss.

Against Tylertown, the Pirates claimed a 5-3 win with the help Henderson and Cuevas at the plate. Henderson had two hits and three RBIs while Cuevas added two more hits to the total for Pass Christian. Dustin Allen was the winning pitcher and improved his record to 2-2.

On Monday, March 19, the Pirates took to the road and returned with a 10-6 win over West Marion. Patrick Necaice scattered nine hits and struck out four batters en route to the win. Allen and Dedeaux each had three RBIs while Myles Wagner added a double for Pass Christian. With the win Pass Christina improved to 5-10 on the season with a 2-3 division record.

Bay High claimed a huge

division win over the Picayune Maroon Tide on Saturday, March 17, by the score of 9-6. Brandon Strong earned the win on the mound for the Tigers and struck out eight Tide batters. Adam Barrett and Guy Alleman provided the offense for Bay High collecting two hits and two RBIs each.

On Tuesday, March 20, the Tigers dropped a close one to cross-county rival Hancock 10-8 in an error plagued game. The Hancock Hawks broke a 2-2 tie in the top of the third inning when they score eight runs on two hits and five errors to avenge an earlier loss to the Tigers.

With the bases loaded, Jesse Woods knocked a run home on an error by the third baseman. Erron Underwood knocked three runs in on the next at-bat on an error by the shortstop. Tyler Hall added a true two-run double to centerfield that scored two runs to make the score 8-2. James Moran added an RBI single that scored Hall from second later in the inning.

A double-steal attempt by Hancock ended the inning but not before scoring another run to make the score 10-2.

In the bottom of the third, the Tigers tried a little magic of their own. Bay High scored six runs on seven hits and two errors. Alleman led the inning off with a single followed by Eric Lymuel with a double to rightfield.

Brandon Strong and Adam Barrett each had RBI singles to leftfield to make the score 10-4. B.J. Carr smacked an RBI double to leftfield scoring another run to make the tally 10-5.

Claude Yarbrough loaded the bases with a bunt down the third base line. Skip Ladner added an RBI to his tally off an error by the shortstop. Alleman ended the scoring for the Tigers with a two-run single to make the final score 10-8.

Both teams scattered some hits across the final four innings of play but could not tally any runs. The Tigers now

sport a record of 6-9 overall and 3-5 in the division.

The St. Stanislaus Rock-chaws suffered two tough losses on Monday and Tuesday. SSC squandered away a five-run lead over the Maroon Tide of Picayune and ended up losing 7-6 on Monday, March 19, in Bay St. Louis.

Neil Favre opened the scoring up for SSC in the first inning with a round-tripper to make the score 1-0.

The score remained 1-0 until the bottom of the fifth inning when SSC pounded out four runs. Brandon Arcement and Taylor LaFontaine each had a hit and Favre walked to load the bases. Joaquim Balaguer knocked in Arcement with an error by the Picayune third baseman. Bryce Breland recorded an RBI for the Rocks with a rocket-shot back to the pitcher. Mike Ryan added two RBIs with a single to rightfield to make the score 5-0.

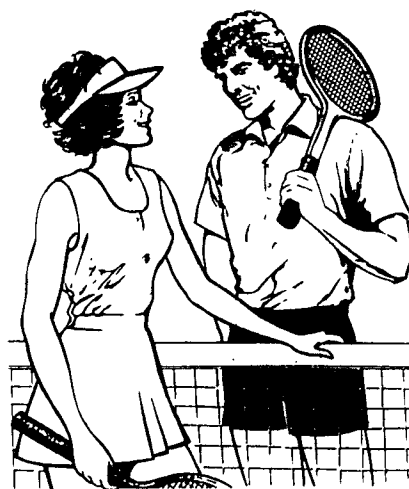
In the top of the sixth inning, Picayune scored six runs off five hits and two errors by the Rocks. However, SSC tied the game up at 6-6 in the bottom of the inning when LaFontaine knocked in Jason Santiago on a sacrifice fly to centerfield.

Picayune took the lead in the top of the seventh scoring one run on three hits to make the final score 7-6.

On Tuesday, March 21, the Oak Grove Warriors pounded out 13 hits against SSC en route to a 16-4 win. The Rocks were down 16-1 heading into the bottom of the sixth inning. Evan Coote hit a three-run single to leftfield for the Rocks during a rally that fell short. Earlier in the game, Favre, LaFontaine, and Balaguer all had hits while Breland was credited with driving in the first Rock run of the game.

With the loss the Rocks fall to 7-7 overall and 4-3 in the division.

On Friday night, the Bay High Tigers host cross-city rival St. Stanislaus in a division matchup. Games start at 5pm.



Bay High splits in tennis action

Bay High 4 - Mercy Cross 2

The Bay High Tigers downed Mercy Cross 4-2 in tennis action Monday at Diamondhead. In boys singles, Bay High's Weston Mayley defeated Rhett Barrett 6-1, 6-0; in girls singles, Lady Tiger Stephanie Reed stopped Casey Cavaceich 6-0, 6-3; Daniel Stanton and Aaron Fromeyer took the boys doubles match over Keith Eluterius and Greg Collins 6-3, 6-2; Mercy Cross won the girls doubles as Meridith Wagner and Ashley Momm downed Jaqueline Fouasanon and Kelly Calahan 6-3, 6-2; in mixed doubles, Mercy Cross took the match 6-1, 6-0 with Laura Brackin and William Mauldin defeating Sarah LaFontaine and Jared Dunklin.

Long Beach 3 - Bay High 2

The Long Beach Bearcats edged the Bay High Tigers 3-2 in high school tennis last week at Gulf Park. In boys singles, Bay High's Weston Mayley downed Jeremy Damjans 3-6, 6-3, 6-4; in girls singles, Lady Tiger Stephanie Reed stopped Hazami Barmade 6-3, 6-3; in boys doubles, Long Beach's Ricky Molsbee and Sean Lahne defeated Daniel Stanton and Aaron Fromeyer 6-4, 6-3; in girls doubles, Lady Bearcats Lucy Polsinelli and Elise Candasse defeated Sarah LaFontaine and Kelly Calahan 6-1, 6-0; in mixed doubles, Long Beach's Steven Mayfield and Erin Gaddy edged Margez Singleton and Jaqueline Fouasanon 7-5, 4-6, 7-6.

Bay High, 4-2, will host Resurrection today.

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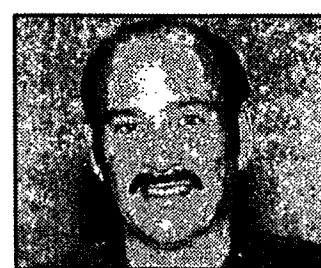
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Middle School Baseball Hawks win three

The Hancock Middle School baseball team defeated Pass Christian 11-3 Saturday Robert Pullens (2-1) was the winning pitcher.

Dustin Chotto led the Hawks at the plate with two hits and three RBI. Others with hits included Ken Cook, Robert Pullens, Joey Madere, Kade Ladner, Brett Cuevas, Justin

Lakeshore Field open house set

Hancock County officials announced that the concession and restroom facilities project at Lakeshore Field has been completed. An open house for the public will be Sat., March 24 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. to present the new addition, which includes a health-compliant concession stand and handicapped-accessible restrooms. Free hot dogs and sodas will be provided along with plenty of good music. In the event of inclement weather the event will be held the next day at the same time.

The facility is located on Lakeshore Road next to Gulfview School and is occupied year round by the Lakeshore Youth Football Organization and Hancock County Little League-Girls Fastpitch Softball. In addition to the sports fields, the park offers a large off-street parking lot as well as a paved and lighted walking track. Girls between the ages of 5 and 18 interested in fastpitch softball can register at the open house. March 24 will be the final registration to be included in the upcoming draft. Call Herb at 467-1291 or Frank at 467-4220 for details.

Kopf and Micah Ladner.

Cook, Madere, Micah Ladner, Kodie Koenenn and Steven Dauenhauer each had an RBI. Nick Jacobo, Cook and Brett Cuevas each stole a base.

On Monday, the Middle School Hawks took both games of a double-header from Poplarville 10-4 and 10-3.

Dustin Chotto (1-0) won the first game striking out five, and Kade Ladner (1-0) won the second game striking out three.

In the first game, Chotto was the team leader at the plate, two hits, two stolen bases and two RBI. Robert Pullens and Justin Kopf each had singles,

and Steven Dauenhauer had a triple.

RBI contributors included Pullens with three and Kopf with two. Ken Cook led the Hawks on the base paths with three stolen bases. Pullens, Micah Ladner and Dauenhauer each had one stolen base.

In the second game, Joey Madere led Hancock with two hits and an RBI. Brad Favre, Braxton Necaice and Shaun Ladner had a hit apiece.

The Hawks' record now stands at 4-2 with their next game scheduled for Friday, March 23 at Pearl River Central at 5 p.m.

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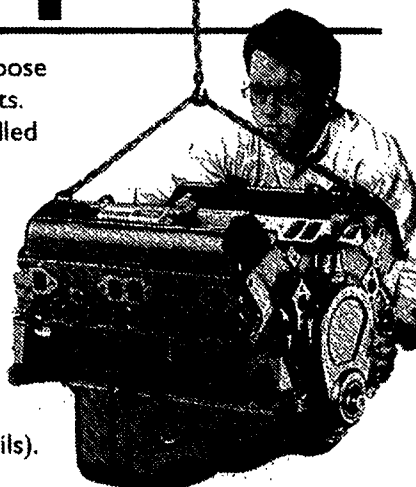
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GRACIE L. ALLEN
 Gracie Louise Lind Allen, 66, of Long Beach, died Monday, March 19, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Allen was a native of Bay St. Louis and a lifelong resident of the Mississippi Gulf Coast. She was a homemaker and a member of Antioch Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Nathan Robert Allen Sr.; her parents, Alphonse Joseph Lind Sr. and Luvenia Ladner; and two grandchildren, Louis Frederick Allen Jr. and Katrina Adelle Allen.

Survivors include six sons, Nathan Robert Allen Jr. of Florida, Louis Frederick Allen Sr., Charles Joseph Allen and Terry Wayne Allen, all of Pass Christian, Phillip Lamar Allen Sr. and Richard Talmadge Allen Sr., both of Saucier; two brothers, A. J. Lind Jr. of Gulfport and Michael Lind of Kiln; five sisters, Aline Gilbert of Bay St. Louis, Adele Hayden of Pass Christian, Gloria Gilbert of New Freedom, Pa., Burnadette Jones of Baton Rouge and Vernetta Rollinson of Glen Rock, Pa.; 14 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Wednesday evening at Riemann Funeral Home in Long Beach. Services will be conducted today at noon at the funeral home with burial in Allen Cemetery in Long Beach.

ERNEST ASBURY
 Ernest Garland Asbury, 78, of Mobile, Ala., died Sunday, March 18, 2001, in Mobile.

Mr. Asbury was a native of New Orleans and attended Tulane University. He was a retired Air Force captain and veteran of World War II. He was a member of the Louisiana and Alabama Electrical Association and of Dauphin Way Baptist Church.

Thank You

Saturday, March 10, 2001 was one of the most rewarding days of my life. I thank you my friends for caring, sharing, giving, and working to make this day special. I know that I have a whole community of good friends such as you, by your concern and support. I will never be able to thank you enough for what you have done.

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James "Champ" Drummond



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 Till we are no longer apart.

We love you Karen,
 Ida, DeeDee, Julie & all your
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He was preceded in death by his parents, Gilbert B. and Sue Garland Asbury.

Survivors include his wife, Jean Lewis Asbury of Mobile; two sons, Gary Richard Asbury of Jefferson, La. and Robert John Asbury of Fort Smith, Ark.; a stepson, Frank G. Odom Jr. of Mobile; a sister, Elizabeth Asbury Miller of Pass Christian; eight grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

A graveside service was conducted Wednesday at Biloxi National Cemetery.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

DOROTHY BILLUPS

Dorothy Darlene Billups, 68, of Pass Christian, died Saturday, March 17, 2001, in Pass Christian.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

EZRA W. CRUTHIRDS

Ezra Wilburn Cruthirds, 77, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, March 20, 2001, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Cruthirds was a native of Stone County and a lifelong resident of the Gulf Coast. He was graduated from Woolmarket High School and was retired from Falcon Seaboard Oil Co. He was a member of Coalville United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Juanita Cruthirds; his parents, George and Bertha Cruthirds; a brother, Owen Cruthirds; and a sister, Thelma Breeland.

Survivors include a son, Leighton Cruthirds of Gulfport; a brother, Stanley Cruthirds of Woolmarket; and a sister, Irma Arceneaux of Thibodaux, La.

Services will be conducted today, March 22 at 10:30 a.m. at Coalville Cemetery in Harrison County directed by Riemann Funeral Home, 25th Avenue, Gulfport.

The family prefers memorials to Coalville United Methodist Church.

VINCENT DETERMAN

Vincent W. Determan, 88, of Ocean Springs, died Monday, March 19, 2001, in Ocean Springs.

Mr. Determan had lived on the Coast since 1945 and was the part owner and operator of City Service Gas Station in Pascagoula. He was an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II and was retired from Ingalls Shipbuilding. He was a Catholic.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ann Shimp Determan; four sisters, Leona McFarland, Lucille Determan, Marrella Meron and Charlotte Asterue; and five brothers, Con Determan, Fred Determan, Robert Determan, Norbert Determan and Virgil Determan.

Survivors include a daughter, Ruthie Olmedo of San Francisco; three stepdaughters, Carol Kober of Mount Vernon, Texas, Theresa Patt of Pascagoula and Iva Misko of Ocean Springs; four stepsons, George Shimp of Ocean Springs, Joseph Ship of Pass Christian, Sanford Shimp of Gautier and William Shimp of North Biloxi; a sister, Sally Hanson of Arizona; two brothers, Jerome Determan of Nevada and Ivo Determan of Minnesota; 19 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Wednesday evening at Ocean Springs Chapel of Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Homes. Services will be conducted today, March 22 at 10 a.m. in the funeral home followed by burial in Biloxi City Cemetery.

PAUL D. GILBERT

Paul Daniel Gilbert, 81, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, March 20, 2001, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Gilbert was an artist and a member of Harford County Artist Association and Foster Parents Association. He was a feature writer for the Aegis Newspaper.

He was preceded in death by a son, Paul Daniel Gilbert Jr.; his parents, Paul Joseph and Olive Reeks Gilbert; and brothers Oliver, Gordon and Thomas Gilbert.

Survivors include his wife, Aline Lind Gilbert of Bay St. Louis; a son, Carl Joseph Gilbert of Bay St. Louis; two daughters, Pamela Adams-Gorman of New Freedom, Pa., and Sandra Lucas of Augusta, Ga.; two brothers, David Gilbert of Marrero and Ralph Gilbert of New Freedom; a sister, Rosemary Richardson of Imperial Beach, Calif.; and seven grandchildren.

Visitation will be today, March 22, 7-9 p.m. at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home followed by burial in Bayou La Croix Cemetery in Hancock County.

The family prefers memorials to Alzheimers Foundation, 4803 Harrison Circle, Gulfport, MS 39507.

LOIS E. HALTOM

Lois E. Haltom, 80, of Pass Christian, died Saturday, March 17, 2001, in Diamondhead.

Mrs. Haltom was a member of VFW Post 5931 Ladies Auxiliary in Pass Christian.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Oscar and Margaret Hall Lehman; and a brother, Robert C. Lehman.

Survivors include her husband, Floyd Haltom of Pass Christian; two sons, Robert Charles Haltom of Pass Christian and Gerald Bradley Haltom of Phoenix, Ariz.; a daughter, Patricia Arylene Haltom of Northville, Mich.; and a sister, Margaret Ruth Hallett of Clinton Township, Mich.; a grandchild and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were private. The family prefers memorials to one's favorite charity. Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

JAMES MATTHEWS

James C. Matthews, 84, of Diamondhead, died Tuesday, March 20, 2001, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Matthews was a resident of Bay St. Louis for 21 years before moving to Diamondhead. He was employed with Kaiser Aluminum from where he retired after 26 years.

He was preceded in death by a son, Michael Matthews; his parents, Joseph and Mary Johnson Matthews; and seven brothers and sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Leta G. Matthews of Diamondhead; a son, Daniel T. Matthews of Pearl River, La.; a daughter, Gloria Miramon of Mandeville; a brother, Wilbur Matthews of Metairie; three sisters, Stella Neigarth and Hope Rodrigues, both of Metairie, and Della Chandler of New Orleans; and a granddaughter.

Visitation will be today, March 22, 7-9 p.m. at Leitz-Eagan Funeral Home, 4747 Veterans Boulevard in Metairie. Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with burial in Cypress Grove Cemetery in New Orleans.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of local arrangements.

MARY MCLAUGHLIN

"Mary Fred" Thompson McLaughlin, 71, of Bay St. Louis, died Sunday, March 18, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. McLaughlin was a native of Loranger, La. and a resident of Bay St. Louis for the past 30 years. She was a Presbyterian.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth Glenn McLaughlin; her parents, Fred and Beulah Neal Thompson; a brother, Otto W. Thompson; and a sister, Hilda Maurer.

Survivors include a son, Mark Alan McLaughlin of Kiln; a daughter, Margaret "Patty" Schwartz of Waveland; a brother, Kenneth P. Thompson of Fresno, Calif.; two sisters, Mildred Callihan of Davidson, N.C. and Lela Schilling of Ponchatoula; and three grandchildren.

Visitation will be Sunday, March 25, 2-3 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by a memorial service in the funeral home chapel. Interment will be private.

The family prefers memorials to Hospice Care, Inc., 546 Mense Avenue, Pass Christian, MS 39571.

CLYDE PARSONS

Clyde Parsons, 50, of Lakeshore, died Friday, March 16, 2001, in Lakeshore.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

JAMES POILLION

James L. "Wimpy" Poillion, 64, of Bay St. Louis, died Wednesday, March 21, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Poillion was a native and lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis and was a member of First Baptist Church, Bay St. Louis. He was a retired commercial fisherman and a boat builder at Joe's Bayou Marina. He was also a security guard for the Hancock County Sheriff's Department.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry Carlos and Lorena Rebecca Stewart Poillion, Sr.; a brother, Henry C. Poillion, Jr.; and a sister, Alma Mioton.

Survivors include three brothers, Alphonse Poillion of Long Beach, Herman Poillion of Richardson, Texas, and Ernest Poillion of Bay St. Louis; and two sisters, Allie Cospelich of Bay St. Louis and Dorothy Rice of Somersdale, N.J.

Visitation will be Friday, March 23, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by a prayer service in the funeral home chapel. Interment will be in Cedar Rest Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

FRANK RAY

Frank Ray, age unavailable, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, March 20, 2001, in Gulfport.

Services are pending at J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport.

RUBY RILES

Ruby Riles, 82, of Diamondhead, died Saturday, March 17, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Services are pending at

Moore Funeral Home in Hattiesburg.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of local arrangements.

ETHEL SMITH

Ethel Rose Shields Smith, 66, of Long Beach, died Sunday, March 18, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Smith was a native of Passaic, N.J., a resident of Long Beach and a past resident of Bay St. Louis and Kiln. She was a Protestant.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Thomas A. Shields; her second husband, Vermont M. Smith; and her parents, Marinus and Johanna Greven Rose.

Survivors include a son, Michael T. Shields of LaPlace; a daughter, Patricia S. Breazeale of Gulfport; and three grandchildren.

Visitation was Wednesday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by a prayer service in the funeral home chapel. Interment was in Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

ARVIN STOCKSTILL

Arvin Adolph "Dolph" Stockstill, 79, of Pearl River, La., died Monday, March 19, 2001, in Pearl River.

Mr. Stockstill was a native of Nicholson and was a roughneck in the oil drilling industry. He was a member of the Pentecostal faith and was a veteran of the U.S. Army where he served as staff sergeant during World War II.

He was preceded in death by his former wife of 40 years, Sarah Frierson Stockstill, and a son, Arvin Lee Stockstill.

Survivors include his present wife of 18 years, Mary Ann Marshall Stockstill of Pearl River; five daughters, Betty Carbonette of Nicholson, Nettie Bruson and Arlene Stockstill, both of Picayune, Darlene

Necaise of Diamondhead and Connie Davis of Pearl River; three sons, Bobby Fleming of Pearl River and James Stockstill and Kenny Stockstill, both of Nicholson; two stepdaughters, Marsha Crocker of Picayune and Debbie Stevens of Pearl River; three stepsons, Donnie Kenney of McNeill and Tommy Kennedy and Jimmy Kennedy, both of Picayune; three brothers, Allen Stockstill of Nicholson, Alvin Stockstill of Slidell and Elery "Shorty" Stockstill of Picayune; three sisters, Mae Kemp of Pearl River, Fannie Lou Summers of Bay St. Louis and Helen Stockstill of Picayune; 16 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, 11 step-grandchildren and a stepgreat-grandchild.

Visitation and services were Tuesday in McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune. Burial was in Turtleskin Cemetery in Nicholson.

JESSE WHITE

Jesse White, 90, of Pass Christian, died Sunday, March 18, 2001, in Biloxi.

Services are pending at Riemann Memorial Funeral Home, US-49 North, Gulfport.

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The activities for which these funds may be used is in the area of economic development. More specific details regarding eligible activities, program requirements, and the rating system will be provided at a public hearing that will be held at City Hall, 301 Coleman Avenue, Waveland, MS, 39576 at 11:30 AM on Tuesday, April 10, 2001. The purpose of this hearing will be to obtain citizen input into the development of the application.

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BUSINESS NEWS



Grand opening

Diamondhead Subway celebrated its grand opening Friday, March 9 with a ribbon cutting. The store is located at 4315 Gex Road, behind the BP station and features a full line of sandwiches, wraps, salads and the new Subway Soups. Participants in the ribbon cutting included Helen Gaines, Sharleen and Ed Johnson, owner Jim Quakenbush and Rachel, Lauren and Sandra Quakenbush, Paul Guichet, Thelma McLendon, Carleen Moran, Steve Garber, Lisa Coward and others.

Port Symposium 2001 set for Oct. 31-Nov. 2

Port professionals from across the country can spend Halloween on the Mississippi Gulf Coast and stay on top of their ever-changing industry during Port Symposium 2001.

Sponsored by the International Port School at the University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast and the Mississippi State Port Authority at Gulfport, the symposium will be held Oct. 31-Nov. 2 at the Grand Casino Oasis Resort in Gulfport.

Under the theme, "Trade in the Western Hemisphere," the symposium will feature top presenters on a variety of current topics.

The symposium agenda will be finalized within the next month, said Dayonne McGuire, director of the Division of Continuing Education at USMGC.

"Last year, we got a lot of positive feedback from our first

Port Symposium, when we had participants from 16 states and four countries," she said. "It was very well received."

The fee for the Port Symposium is \$295, with discounts for early and multiple registrations.

Presentation sponsorships are also available, McGuire said.

Pre-registration may be completed on-line at:

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A tentative agenda is also available at the Website, as well as a link to be placed on the symposium's mailing list.

For information, contact McGuire at (228) 867-8778, or e-mail her at <dayonne.mcguire@usm.edu>.

FedEx founder to speak to MEC group

Native Mississippian Frederick W. Smith, chairman, president and chief executive officer of FedEx Corporation, will be the keynote speaker at the MEC annual membership meeting May 30 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Jackson. Smith is a native of Marks.

"Fred Smith joins a long list of outstanding speakers who, over the years, have addressed MEC's annual meeting," said Bake Wilson, president of MEC.

"He stands at the top of American business and is a leader in break-through thinking. Mississippi is proud of his accomplishments and to call him a fellow Mississippian. FedEx is truly a success story of turning a dream into a reality through hard work, strong commitment and an outstanding product."

James L. Barksdale, former FedEx executive and former Netscape CEO, who keynoted MEC's 51st annual membership meeting, will introduce Smith.

FedEx Corporation is a \$20-billion market leader in transportation, information, and logistics solutions. The five FedEx operating companies deliver approximately five million shipments every business day.

Smith is chairman, president, and chief executive officer, responsible for providing strategic direction for all FedEx Corporation operating companies.

He founded FedEx in 1971, and the company began operation in April 1973. Smith attended Yale University, where he earned a bachelor's of science degree in economics in 1966 and served as an officer in the U.S. Marine Corps in Vietnam from 1966-1970.

Smith has served on the boards of several large public companies and is co-chairman of the U.S. World War II Memorial Project.

He is also a director of the Business Roundtable, CATO

Institute, Library of Congress James Madison Council, and the May Foundation; and he serves as chairman of the U.S.-China Business Council.

For further information, call MEC at 1-800-748-7626.

D'head group meets today

The Diamondhead Business and Professional Association general meeting is today, March 22, 8-9 a.m. at the Diamondhead Country Club.

Business after Hours will be today, 5-7 p.m. at the new Subway located behind the BP station.

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McIntyre also became the first in Mississippi to pass this examination which was held at the National Association of Mortgage Brokers (NAMB) in New Orleans.

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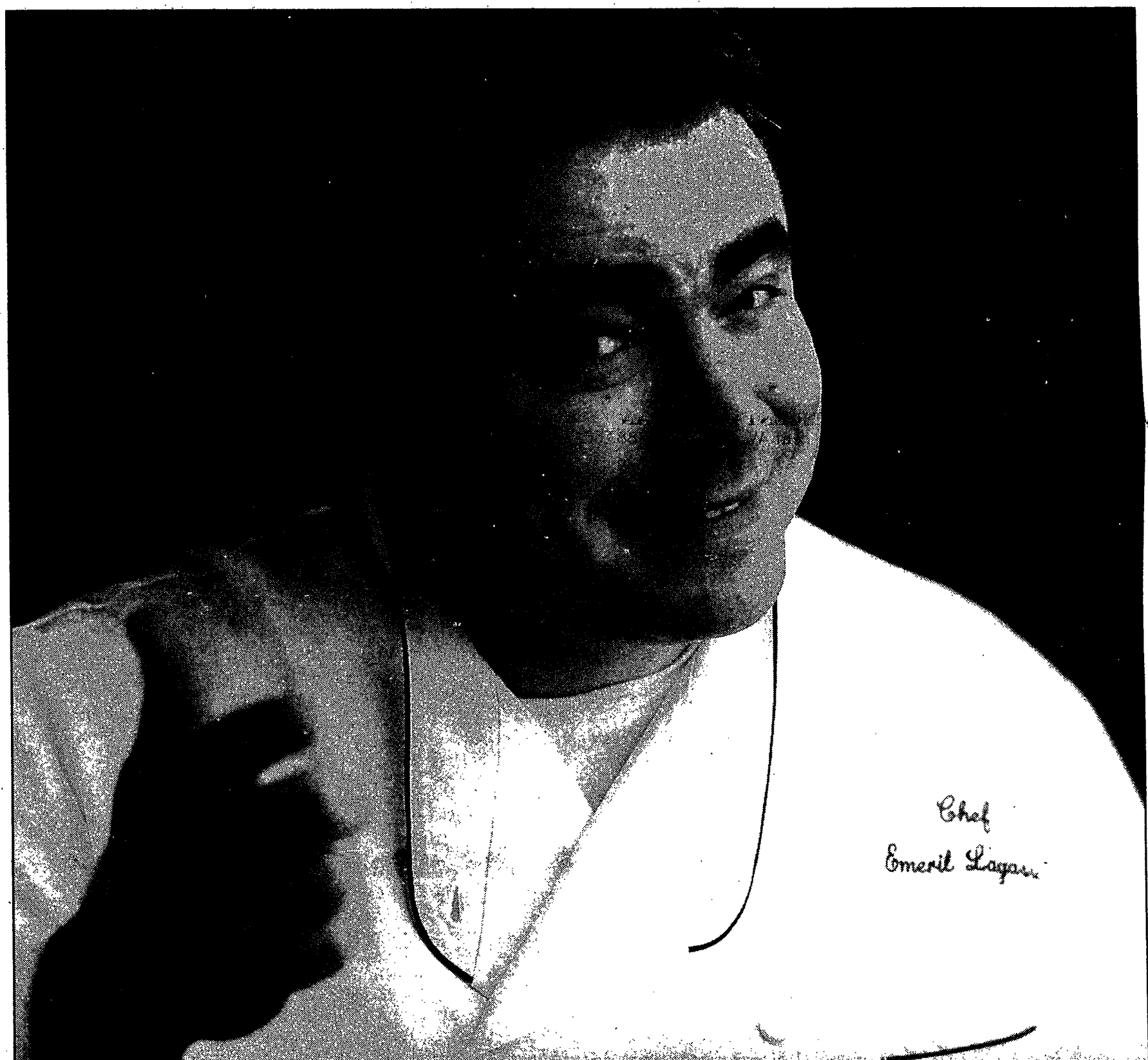
McIntyre has owned and

operated Special T Mortgage, Inc. for three years. He is a member of Who's Who in Business and Executives, a board member of the Mississippi Association of Mortgage Brokers, National Association of Mortgage Brokers.

He received training at Capstone Institute of Mortgage Finance in Atlanta, Ga. and also has received his residential mortgage lending designation taught by NAMB in Gulfport and has also received certifications of national recognition in RESPA, TILA, Marketing Your Services, Train the Trainer, Advance P



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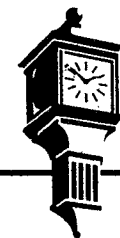


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WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
The City of Waveland will accept sealed proposals from qualified firms for professional services required for application preparation and subsequent implementation of their 2001 Community Development Block Grant Economic Development program. The City is seeking funding from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. A Project Administrator, Project Engineer, and Project Attorney will be selected to oversee this project. Information packages concerning the request for proposals are available at the City Clerk's office, City of Waveland, 301 Coleman Avenue, P.O. Box 539, Waveland, MS 39576-0539, between the hours of 8 A.M. and 5 P.M., Monday through Friday. The services required for this project are: ADMINISTRATIVE: Assist the City and its agents in the application preparation and subsequent program administration including management accounting, required reports to HUD and the State, implementation of applicable State and Federal laws, regulations, and requirements, establishment and maintenance of filing system; and serve as liaison between the City and the State. Firms or individuals proposing to perform administrative services should submit a list of their qualifications, experience, and capacity for performance. ENGINEERING: Engineering design for construction of the proposed improvements including all design surveys, preliminary design work, final design phase, preparation of plans and specifications, and construction inspection. Firms or individuals should submit a list of their experience, qualifications, and capacity for performance. LEGAL: Consultation services as required for the implementation of the proposed improvements as outlined in the CDBG application in accordance with State and Federal laws and regulations. Legal services shall include but not be limited to consultation services, the evaluation of all contracts and land acquisition, etc. Of-ficers should submit a list of their experience, qualifications, capacity for performance along with an hourly rate charged for consultation services. Other services include examination of property records related to any easements which might be required. Proposals for this project will be rated according to the following criteria:
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Holt's Steaks, Seafood & Spirits

Holt's Steaks, Seafood & Spirits recently celebrated its one-year anniversary at the corner of Market & Second St., just one block from Pass Christian Harbor. Holt's opened its doors on March 13, 2000, and quickly established itself as a local favorite — and now also has a large clientele from all across the Mississippi Gulf Coast and even other states.

Guests at Holt's are offered a varied menu that includes a host of gourmet fare, including mouth-watering steaks and fresh seafood such as tuna, mahi mahi, snapper and trout. All the restaurant's food is prepared fresh daily from only the best of ingredients: Grain-fed USDA Choice beef steaks; seafood straight from the boats of Louisiana and Mississippi's best fishermen and shrimpers; and other fine, fresh local ingredients. "It means a lot to serve your customers with the best from the local area," according to Holt's owner-manager Elizabeth. "Our food never arrives by freight or UPS, but only by a local supplier's refrigerated truck."

Local favorites are prepared by Holt's top chefs Al Holt and Christian Breazeale from recipes collected from some of the Coast's best cooks, including such delicacies as the Camille Cut Combo and Trout Amy. In addition, new discoveries are added to the menu often, including such new favorites as stuffed oysters and wasabi-style tuna. Other Holt's specialties include veal scallopini, shrimp scampi and shrimp Creole. For the traditionalists, Holt's offers a seafood platter, shrimp, stuffed shrimp, grilled chicken breast, oysters, and trout — fried or broiled. Available side orders include sautéed mushrooms, fries, baked potatoes, Caesar salad, Market Street squash, and squash baked with bacon and parmesan cheese. And desserts include, among other favorites, Bananas Foster, bourbon pecan pie and white chocolate bread pudding. As Elizabeth says, "It all comes down to our commitment to a quality dining experience and a relaxing atmosphere."

Holt's is open Sunday through Thursday, 5-9:30 p.m.; and Friday and Saturday, 5-10 p.m. Sunday brunch is now offered from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. with complimentary champagne and mimosas. And coming soon — their new sundowner menu. Reservations are suggested on weekends. Closed Mondays.

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